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POSITION DESCRIPTION Environmental Engineer, GS-0819-12

L. Introduction

Serves as an environmental engineer in the Infrastructure Section, in the Grants and Infrastructure Branch, of the Water Protection Division with responsibilities for oversight of environmental documents in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act and federal grants pursuant to various special appropriation acts, the Clean Water Act and/or the Safe Drinking Water Act.

II. Major Duties

Project Officer

The primary purpose of this position is to serve as the technical and project officer and project manager for water and wastewater construction projects funded by the Special Appropriations Acts Program (SAAP). The incumbent uses environmental engineering principles, practices, and processes to review, evaluate, and assess whether grant proposals and projects are environmentally sound and appropriately designed/engineered to address the protection of public health and the environment. The incumbent communicates with grantees, colleagues, agency management and other contacts outside the agency to gain information for funding of environmental projects pursuant to EPA guidance and regulations, including environmental reviews. Reviews and /or provides technical assistance to grantees in review of application for special appropriation projects and other programs in order to determine compliance with EPA policies and requirements, and attainment of the environmental objectives as established by the facility plan, preliminary engineering report or workplan. On the basis of study and consultation as necessary, recommends appropriate EPA action. Legislative authorities include the Clean Water Act, the Safe Drinking Water Act, and the National Environmental Policy Act.

The incumbent performs work in conducting environmental reviews of the impacts of water and wastewater construction projects. The incumbent communicates with a variety of in-house organizations, other government agencies, contractors, grantees, and/or private institutions on topics related to the subject of the study or investigation for the purpose of gaining information and corroborating on findings. Prepares written reports on projects and makes recommendations to management on how to proceed with environmental findings.

Communicates with colleagues, agency management and other contacts outside the agency to gain information and corroboration on findings. Writes study proposals, project plans, scientific and technical papers, publications, environmental assessments etc., as required and/or needed.

Program/Project Management

The incumbent will serve as a project and technical officer for water and wastewater construction projects that are federally funded by the Special Appropriations Act Program. The incumbent communicates with grantees, colleagues, agency management and other contacts outside the agency to gain information for funding of environmental projects pursuant to EPA guidance and regulations, including environmental reviews. The incumbent reviews and /or provides technical assistance to grantees in review of application package and environmental information documents for special appropriation projects and other programs in order to determine compliance with EPA policies and requirements, and attainment of the environmental objectives as established by the facility plan, preliminary engineering report or workplan. On the basis of study and consultation as necessary, the incumbent recommends appropriate EPA action. Legislative authorities include the Clean Water Act, the Safe Drinking Water Act, and the National Environmental Policy Act.

Provides advice and assistance to state, local and/or tribal governments on matters relating to the development, execution, and monitoring of adequate environmental protection policies, plans, and documents relating to compliance with the National Environmental Policies Act and federal crosscutting authorities. Serves as a technical specialist involved in significantly complex environmental programs that include a variety of controversial characteristics such as conflicting environmental, cultural, and/or political factors. Reviews, analyzes, and recommends modifications of environmental information documents and/or programs developed by state, local and/or tribal government entities to implement various federal environmental standards. Reviews, analyzes, and coordinates preparation of comments on complex environmental impact statements.

Performs program administration work, such as contract or grant management, or environmental liaison work, in order to accomplish the assigned environmental management and protection duties. Performs the full range of activities for grants/cooperative agreements/IAGs that involve significant special provisions. Works with parties outside the agency to resolve problems; recommends approval of modifications or extensions. Performs work related to the initiation, administration, and/or close-out of grants.

III. Factors

Factor 1-7 Knowledge Required by the Position 1250 Points

The position requires knowledge of a wide range of general environmental engineering and science principles and methods applicable to varied and complex problems, projects, or studies that may include diverse environmental science or other environmental conditions; and varying environmental engineering and science processes. The position also requires knowledge of environmental engineering parameters and practices that are associated with water and wastewater treatment processes, and how to apply this knowledge in evaluating water and wastewater treatment proposals. Problems encountered demand skill sufficient to modify standard practices, adapt precedents, and make significant departures from existing approaches and techniques. The position requires knowledge of applicable environmental laws, statutes, and regulations including the Clean Water Act, the Safe Drinking Water Act, and the National Environmental Policy Act.

Factor 2-4 Supervisory Controls 450 Points

The supervisor establishes overall objectives and resources available. The supervisor and Engineer jointly develop projects, priorities and deadlines. The Engineer independently plans and carries out assignments, interprets policy, coordinates work with others, resolves most of the conflicts that arise, and keeps the supervisor informed of far-reaching implications. Completed work is reviewed from an overall standpoint in terms of feasibility, and effectiveness in meeting requirements.

Factor 3-4 Guidelines 450 Points

Guidelines include laws, statutes, and regulations covering environmental policies. Technical, regulatory, and policy guidelines are often broad and nonspecific. The Engineer is required to use resourcefulness and perception based on experienced judgment, to adapt or interpret general guidelines; to deviate from or extend traditional practices, methods, and techniques; or to resolve situations where precedents are not available or not applicable.

Factor 4-4 Complexity 225 Points

Work includes varied duties involving many different and unrelated processes and methods. Duties range from performing environmental reviews to serving as a project/technical officer for federally

funded construction projects. To decide what needs to be done, the incumbent analyzes and evaluates reports including environmental information documents and/or programs developed by state, local and/or tribal government entities to implement various federal environmental standards. Work is complicated by the need to apply and adapt standard techniques and practices to new situations with regard to complex environmental programs that include a variety of controversial characteristics such as conflicting environmental, cultural, and/or political factors; and advise State and local officials and/or tribal government entities on interpretations and application of agency and regional policy and regulations; and the complexity of environmental impact statements to review.

Factor 5-4 Scope and Effect 225 Points

The purpose of the work is to review projects proposed for EPA funding for various unusual, controversial, or technically difficult scientific problems or conditions. Work results are critical to the successful completion of various grant programs, including Special Appropriations Grants and Section 319 grants.

Factor 6-3 Personal Contacts 60 Points

Personal contacts include a wide range of professional and administrative personnel throughout the agency, at other federal agencies, in state and local government, private industry, academia, environmental advocacy groups, and in some cases the media and elected officials.

Factor 7-3 Purpose of Contacts 120 Points

The purpose of contacts is to influence or negotiate with others who may be skeptical or uncooperative or whose interests differ from those of the program represented. Issues to be resolved are sensitive or controversial. Contacts are also undertaken to plan, coordinate, or advise on work efforts or resolve operating problems in dealings with others who are working toward mutual goals.

Factor 8-1 Physical Demands 5 Points

The work is primarily sedentary, although some physical effort may be required, e.g., walking, standing, carrying light items such as manuals or briefcases, or driving or traveling by motor vehicle.

Factor 9-1 Work Environment 5 Points

The work environment involves everyday risks or discomforts that require normal safety precautions typical of such places as offices, training rooms, and libraries. The work area is adequately, lighted, heated, and ventilated.

Total Points = 2790
Grade Conversion: GS-12

Extramural Resources Management Duties Checklist

This checklist must be used with all PDs to identify the percentage of time an employee is engaged in duties related to managing contracts, grants, cooperative agreements, and interagency agreements. For positions requiring performance of these duties for 25% or more of the employees time, in addition to this checklist, such duties must also be described in the body (major duties area) of the PD.

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P	art 2. Grants/Cooperative Agreements Duties	Advises Grants Management Office of potential
	One continution/Applications	problems/issues
١,	Pre-application/Application:	Participates in decisions/actions to ensure
	Prepares solicitation for proposals	successful project completion and in decisions to
	Identifies potential grantees for area of program	impose sanctions
	emphasis	Approves payments requests or ACH drawdowns
	Makes initial determinations (whether project is	Reviews requests for modifications, additional
	procurement or assistance, whether agency has	funding, etc., and makes recommendations to
	legal authority, whether applicant is eligible,	Grants Management Office
	wheather funding is available, etc.)	Negotiates amendments
<u></u>	Provides administrative information to applicants	Reviews Cost/Price/Analysis for recipient
(Determines appropriateness of applicant's	contracts/change orders (Superfund only)
	workplan/activities/budget and compliance with	When necessary, recommends termination of the
	regulations and guidelines and negotiates changes	agreement
	with applicant	Resolves with Grants Management Office
Χ	Assists applicant in resolving issues in application	administrative and financial issues
	For cooperative agreement, determines substantial	Conducts periodic reviews to ensure compliance
	Federal involvement and develops a condition for	with agreement
	agreement	Other (list)
	Negotiates level of funding	
(Conducts site visits to evaluate program capability	Close-out:
	Serves as resource to Selection Panel	X Certifies deliverables were satisfactory and timely
X	Informs applicants of funding decisions	X Provides assistance to recipients and Grants
	Other (list)	Management Office to ensure timely close-out
	_	X Reconciles payment with work performed
wa	rd:	X Notifies recipient of close-out requirements
X	Prepares funding package, including Decision	X Obtains legal assistance if necessary to resolve
	Memorandum	incomplete close-out
Χ	Obtains concurrences/approvals	X If project is audited, responds to issues and ensures
Х	Reviews/concurs in completed document	recipient complies with audit recommendations
X	Establishes project file	Other (list)
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		Percentage of Time Spent on Grants/Cooperative
roje	ect Management/Administration:	Agreements Management
Х	Monitors recipient's activities and progress	
Χ	Reviews reports and deliverables and notifies	45 %
	recipient of comments	
X	Provides technical assistance to recipients	
art	3. Interagency Agreements Duties	
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re-	Agreement:	Monitors cost management and overall technical
	Plans and negotiates work effort	performance
06 0	Estimates costs	Participates in decisions about project
	Obtains funding commitments	modification/termination
	Prepares commitment notice	Conducts periodic review of Superfund State
	Writes or reviews scope of work	Contracts payments receipts (Superfund only)
	Responds to pre-agreement inquiries	Inspects and accepts deliverables
	Participates in pre-agreement conferences	Other (list)
	Coordinates with appropriate staff in developing	
	Independent Government Cost Estimates (IGEs)	Close-out:
	Negotiates and ensures execution of Superfund	Reviews final report
	State Contracts (Superfund only)	Decides on disbursement of equipment
	Performs technical evaluation of work plan and	Reconciles payments with work performed
	budget	Reviews Superfund State Contracts to ensure full
	Prepares funding package and obtains necessary	reimbursement (Superfund only)
	concurrences	Certifies deliverables
	Other (list)	Resolves close-out issues with Grants Management
		Office/other agency
		Other (list)
roi	ect Management/Administration:	- Victory
	Reviews progress reports/financial reports	Percentage of Time Spent on Interagency Agreements Management:
		6 %



United States ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY Washington, DC 20460

Position Risk Designation Checklist

AAship/Region: Region 4	Type of Action: Reassignme	nt SF 52 Request No.:
Position Title/Series/Grade: Environmenta	al Engineer, GS-0819-12	
Functional Title (if applicable): Proj	(Risk designation is based or	r FPL) title may be Life Scientist, but function may be Permit Writer
Funding: A fingerprint check and, if needed, Service Agreement. Please provide the Servic Owner can help you with this.) Please Note:	a background investigation wice Agreement No.: 16BV04A This SF 52 action will not be p	Il be funded through your Working Capital Fund (WCF)
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Has the risk level of this position alre What is the name of the incumbent of If you answered "Yes" to question 1, ple	f the above position?	full performance level? Yes No
 Is the position one of the following proof of "Yes," please indicate the position below. NOTE: Unless otherwise specified, these 	redesignated positions? low, answer question 3, skip reserved to the second sec	Yes No Print pages 1-2, and sign/date the form. Ye up to and including Grade 13. Grade 14 and 15 positions
must be individually designated, requiring Attorney—Moderate Bench Scientist, such as chemist, biologist, etc. —Moderate Contract Project Officer—Moderate Contract Specialist—Moderate Criminal Investigator (all grades, all Deputy Division or Division Director—Financial Specialist/Accountant/ Budget Analyst—Moderate Grants Project Officer—Moderate Grants Specialist (GS 12 and below Grants Specialist (GS 13 and above HR Specialist (Classification)—Low HR Specialist (Classification)—Low HR Specialist (ER/LR)—Moderate HR Specialist (Generalist)—Moderate HR Specialist (Staffing)—Moderate HR Specialist (Training)—Low Inspector—Moderate IT Specialist (Customer Service)—N IT Specialist (Customer Service)—N IT Specialist (Data Management)—I	positions)—High —High ()—Low (a)—Moderate (b) Atte High Moderate	

NOTE: If you answered "Yes" to No. 2 and have answered No. 3, skip remaining questions, print pages 1-2, and sign/date the form.

SF 5	2 Request #:
Ansv	ver all "Yes/No" questions based on the FPL position description. If explanations are requested, attach additional pages.
4.	Requires access to sensitive information or materials?
5.	The scope of this position is: Local Regional National Global
6.	The impact/potential harm this position could cause would be: Internal to EPA Multi-Agency/Government-wide Beyond the Government
7.	Position is a presidential or political appointment: Yes No
8.	Requires access to hazardous or dangerous material (nuclear, biological, or chemical): Yes No What materials are involved?
9.	Makes policy that affects AAship, Regional or Agency operations (not simply local branch or section operations): Yes No Describe:
10.	Makes independent decisions or authoritative recommendations that are not subject to substantive verification or supervisory approval/sign off: Yes No
11.	What actions?
12.	Interacts with external contacts when performing duties and/or represents the agency to citizens or external organizations: Yes No (If "Yes," check all that apply.)
	Communicates with: EPA personnel Government entities outside of EPA Audience beyond government, including media, private industry, academia, environmental interest groups Communication methods: Shares factual information (e.g., technical or policy reports, outreach, or public relations material) Participates in meetings, conferences, or seminars Posts material on the EPA intranet or public website Represents agency or negotiates/defends significant or controversial matters
13.	Protects or identifies critical infrastructure systems/programs, such as water treatment, other utilities, or telecommunications: Yes No What systems/programs are involved?
14.	Directly enforces health regulations and/or protects public safety: Yes No
15.	Investigates or audits government or nongovernment personnel, programs, and/or activities: Yes No (Note: Relates to investigating and auditing, but not simply overseeing.) What personnel, programs, and/or activities are involved?
16.	Information technology (IT) position that creates, programs, administers, or protects government IT systems, databases, or infrastructure: Yes No (Note: Does not apply to positions that only use IT systems.)
17.	Requires official EPA credentials: Yes No (Note: Credential bearers represent the agency and perform specific civil enforcement tasks, e.g., EPA inspectors.)
18.	Other unique or critical characteristics/duties/requirements not previously covered? Yes No Describe:
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Na	me (Please Print) Signature Signature 3/18/2016
Tit	chief, Grants and Infrastructure 3/18/2016 Date